



**“With malice toward none, with charity for all, with firmness in the right as God gives us to see the right, let us strive on to finish the work we are in, to bind up the nation’s wounds, to care for him who shall have borne the battle and for his widow, and his orphan, to do all which may achieve and cherish a just and lasting peace among ourselves and with all nations.”**

**-- Abraham Lincoln**



# **A Message for Veterans from U.S. Congressman Bart Gordon**



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"I will never forget your sacrifice for our country, nor cease fighting to see that the promises made to veterans for their service are honored."

-- U.S. Congressman  
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## We thank our troops and veterans for their sacrifices

Today our young men and women in uniform are fighting the war on terrorism all across the world. They remind us of all those throughout our history who have answered the call to defend our freedoms. In return for their service our country has committed to, in the words of Abraham Lincoln, "care for him who shall have borne the battle and for his widow, and his orphan." We are forever indebted to the servicemen and servicewomen who keep our country safe.

I am working to make sure that our veterans and military retirees receive the benefits they were promised by:

- Supporting the Assured Funding for Veterans Health Care Act to focus health care services on honoring the promises made to its veterans by ending chronic under funding that has denied many veterans the benefits they earned.
- Supporting the Retired Pay Restoration Act, comprehensive "concurrent receipt" legislation, to ensure that military retirees can draw the retirement and veterans' disability they are due.
- Opposing proposals to impose new fees and higher prescription drug co-pays on some veterans, or to increase TRICARE premiums on military retirees.

I am always happy to assist you with resolving problems you may have in receiving veterans' or retiree benefits, or if you need help in replacing lost medals. If you have questions or concerns about veterans' benefits or programs please call me or refer to the list of phone numbers below.

### Have a question? Helpful Department of Veterans Affairs Phone Numbers

VA Benefits .....	(800) 827-1000
Health Benefits.....	(887) 222-8387
Education Benefits .....	(888) 442-4551
VA Life Insurance.....	(800) 669-8477
Debt Management.....	(800) 827-0648
CHAMPVA .....	(800) 733-8387
Gulf War, Agent Orange, Shad.....	(800) 749-8387
Headstone and Markers.....	(800) 697-6947
Telecommunications Device for the Deaf (TDD) .....	(800) 829-4833

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